

PARKSIDE BOWLING CLUB NEWSLETTER – APRIL 2024

Dear Member

The new season got underway with President Ken bowling the first wood, followed by a spider which was won by Julia Burton. A good number of Parkside members then enjoyed a friendly rollup. It was nice to see so many of you there.

We start the 2024 season with a friendly against Fleming Park on Sunday 28th April and an afternoon friendly at home against Twyford on Wednesday 1st May.

The Southampton and District leagues commence on Tuesday 30th April with a Combination Triples home fixture against Banister Park. This is followed by a Championship Fours match at home to Brockenhurst on Thursday 2nd May. The first Mixed Triples match is against Pirrie Park at home on Wednesday 8th May. Dates of all league matches are listed in the Club handbook.

Club competition entry forms are now available in the Clubhouse and equipment shed. All members are invited to enter, as this both supports the Club and enhances individual bowling abilities. Please submit completed forms to Charlie on or before Sunday 12th May.

The Club Lottery Bonus Ball competition is being run this season by Barry Jeffs and Charlie Bumstead. A few numbers are still available. Please contact either Barry or Charlie should you wish to put your name against one of these.

Entry forms for the Southampton and District Women's Bowling Association competitions are now available. If you wish to enter, please contact Karen Millington who will co-ordinate entries. The closing date for entry is Monday 20th May.

The closing date for entry into the Men's Southampton and District competitions is the 11th May. This must now be carried out online on the S&D website using link <u>S&D Competition</u> Entry 2024

The Southampton Open Bowls Tournament will be held this year during week commencing Monday 22nd July. Entry forms are now available on the Club noticeboard or online using link Southampton Open The closing date for entries is Friday 31st May.

Parkside will be participating in the Bowls Big Weekend on Saturday 25th and Sunday 26th May. This is an opportunity for you to invite family and friends to the Parkside green and have a try at bowling. More information will follow by email.

Thank you to everyone who has completed membership forms for 2024. We can look forward to a wonderful summer of bowling with entries in the Southampton and District Leagues and Club competitions together with friendly matches against other Clubs.

We have received a couple of notifications from other Clubs. When visiting Banister Park, please remember to log your car number plate inside the Clubhouse. Failure to carry this out could result in a £100 fine. When visiting Eastleigh Rail, please use the side gate as entry through the building is no longer available. Mayfield Park have informed us that parking is now limited for bowlers during the day.

Wishing you all a successful and pleasant 2024 both on and off the bowling green.

If you have any items for future newsletters, please send to kennethprior59@gmail.com